REPORT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH & HOSPICE

Community Health & Hospice is a non-profit visiting nurse, hospice and community service agency serving Belknap County. In the town of Alton, the agency offers home health care, hospice end-of-life care, homemaker in-home chore service and pediatric health and family support services. Last year, the agency provided over 2,700 visits to the residents of Alton – a 50% increase in total services from the prior year.

In particular, last year residents saw a four-fold increase in the volume of hospice and palliative care services provided by Community Health & Hospice. In addition, there was a 30% increase in services to the elderly through the Homemaker and Adult-In-Home-Care programs. These programs allow the elderly to remain in their homes with assistance and avoid admission to a nursing home.

Many of the services provided in Alton rely on community and private donations to be maintained. We are grateful to the town of Alton for approving an appropriation to Community Health & Hospice that assists in maintaining the following services: Homemaker & Adult In Home Care services, Maternal/Child Health, Pediatric Care Management, Hospice/Palliative care and vaccine programs. We leverage town funds with United Way and other donated funds to continue bringing these important services to people in their homes. Thank you for allowing us to serve you.

Service Summary:

Visit Type	Number of Visits
Nursing	347
Therapy	141
Home Health Aide	393
Pediatric	47
Homemaker	481
Adult In Home	768
Hospice/Palliative	480
Pediatric Family Support	56

Respectfully Submitted,

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